



April 4, 2012

Ms. Lisa P. Jackson
Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
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Room 4000
Washington, DC 20460-0000

Dear Administrator Jackson:

Now that the pending litigation between Range Resources and the Agency has been dismissed, we wanted to write and express our appreciation to you for the leadership you demonstrated in making the determination to withdraw the emergency order issued against Range. On behalf of the approximately 800 employees of Range, we want to thank you for the fair and objective manner in which this situation was resolved. We also want to acknowledge you personally for having the conviction to lead the Agency to a fact-founded decision even in the face of the expected critical commentary about the Agency's action.

We are pleased that, with the matter of the emergency order resolved, Range is now able to cooperate with the Agency in providing access to study sites as part of the EPA's hydraulic fracturing study. On many occasions, you have emphasized the priority you place on objective and transparent scientific analysis. We also know as an engineer you understand the value of applying science and engineering to facts at hand. We look forward to working cooperatively with EPA on the study to develop additional data and science to help guide policy makers in the future.

We all agree that the safe and responsible development of our natural resources is integral to the security and wellbeing of our nation. Although we serve that goal in different ways, we believe an objective, fact-based, environmental regulatory framework coupled with a strong commitment from industry is imperative to the continued development of energy from oil and gas resources. We believe that the industry and the Agency should work in a cooperative way toward a goal of providing the American people the benefit of our domestic energy resources. If our domestic resources are prudently developed, we are convinced the United States has the opportunity to move toward our shared goals of energy independence, economic development and environmental protection positively impacting Americans for generations to come.

Sincerely,


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Executive Chairman